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In re application of )

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Serial No. 09/655,964 )

Group Art Unit: 1751

Filed September 6, 2000 )

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AMENDMENT

In response to the Office action of September 9, 2002 the following  
amendments and remarks are submitted.

In the Claims

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Please amend the claims as provided in clean form as follows. A marked-  
up version of the claims is provided on the attached separate page to show changes  
relative to the previous version of the claims shown by strikethrough for deletion and  
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6. ☐ Microfiche Computer Program (Appendix)
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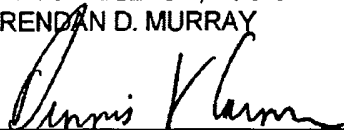
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TOTAL CLAIMS (37 CFR 1.16(c))	26 - 20 =	6	X \$18.00 =	\$108.00
INDEPENDENT CLAIMS (37 CFR 1.16(b))	3 - 3 =	0	X \$78.00 =	0
MULTIPLE DEPENDENT CLAIMS (if applicable) (37 CFR 1.16(d))		0	+ \$260.00 =	0
			BASIC FEE (37 CFR 1.16(a))	\$690.00
			Total of above Calculations =	
			TOTAL =	\$798.00

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11. ☒ The Assistant Commissioner is authorized to charge all additional required fees or to credit overpayments, to Deposit Account No. 19-1800, including fees required under 37 CFR 1.17
12. ☒ Accompanying Application Parts
- a. ☐ Recordal of Assignment and Assignment
- b. ☒ Information Disclosure Statement/PTO-1449
- c. ☒ Preliminary Amendment
- d. ☒ A self-addressed, stamped return receipt postcard to be returned with the filing date and Serial No. thereon
- e. ☐ Certified copy of priority documents

Respectfully submitted,

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